

The Bamberg Herald

Thursday, May 11, 1916.

SHORT LOCALS.

Brief Items of Interest Throughout the Town and County.

The friends of Mr. M. L. Zorn will learn with regret of his illness.

The friends of Miss Mary Williams, who was recently operated upon for appendicitis, are glad to see her out again.

Quite a number of Bamberg people motored to Augusta yesterday to attend the Ford parade of the Augusta week festivities.

The regular teachers' examination was held at the court house last Friday. Twelve white applicants and 37 negroes stood the examination.

The annual meeting of the Orangeburg District conference of the Methodist church, which held its meeting recently at Bowman, will be held next year at Denmark.

Tuesday afternoon the Bamberg high school defeated the Blackville high school in an interesting game of base ball at Blackville, the score being 10 to 5 in favor of the local team.

The Bamberg fire department receives this year the sum of \$127.36 from the one per cent. insurance tax. The total amount collected under this tax in the State this year is \$13,452.57.

Rev. W. R. McMillan next Sunday will preach the commencement sermon to the Blackville high school. The Baptist pulpit here will be filled by the Rev. J. K. Goode, pastor of the Blackville church.

The State preparatory championship, which has been held by Carlisle school for several years past, was won this year by the Bailey Military Institute, which by defeating Porter Tuesday clinched the title.

The Bamberg Automobile company has been chartered by the secretary of State, with a capital stock of \$3,000. The officers are: Mr. G. Frank Bamberg, president, secretary and treasurer, and Mrs. Nelle M. Bamberg, vice president.

The cantata which was recently rendered at the Baptist church will be repeated at the Methodist church next Sunday evening. There will be no services at the Baptist church Sunday evening. Everybody is cordially invited to be present at Trinity church.

Friday evening, May 12, will be "Midsummer Eve in Fairyland." The Mother Goose limited arrives at the graded school auditorium at 7:30 o'clock. The Poppyland express leaves for Shut Eye town at 8:30 o'clock. Queen Mab invites one and all. No admission fee.

The Herald acknowledges with thanks an invitation to be present at all entertainments attending the twelfth annual convention and tournament of the South Carolina State Firemen's association, under the auspices of the firemen and citizens of Orangeburg, June 20, 21 and 22.

Two alarms of fire were sounded within the past week, both of them early in the evening. The first was a small blaze at the Farmers Gin company, when some bagging caught fire. It was quickly extinguished, and no damage was done. The second was Monday night, when it was reported that the new residence of Mr. Thomas Ducker on Bridge street was on fire. The report proved to be incorrect, however. The alarms served to bring hundreds of people from all over town to the scenes of the supposed fires.

New Advertisements.

G. D. Ryan—Reliability.
Dr. George F. Hair—For Rent.
Peoples Bank—As Time Goes On.
Moseley's—Bulletin of May Specials.

Smoak & Moye—Drive It Into the Barn.

Boyce W. Bishop—Candidate's Card.

Southern Railway—Excursion Rates.

Enterprise Bank—Handing Out Checks.

Bamberg Banking Co.—Perhaps He Can.

LaVerne Thomas & Co.—Trade at Home adv.

Mack's Barber Shop—Trade at Home adv.

Star Pressing Club—Trade at Home adv.

The Leader, Denmark—Grand Opening Sale.

W. M. Brabham, Chairman—Meeting of Taxpayers.

The Mutual Garage—The Devil Likes Punctures.

Farmers & Merchants Bank—Laid Off or Discharged.

LaVerne Thomas & Co.—You Need a Real Corset.

Bamberg Banking Co.—Present Your Wife With a Bank Book.

RIVERS BRIDGE MEMORIAL.

Exercises Attended by Thousands.
Address by Hon. J. F. Byrnes.

The annual memorial exercises at Rivers Bridge were held at the memorial grounds last Thursday. As usual, a large crowd, estimated at about two thousand, attended the annual occasion. Hon. James F. Byrnes, congressman from the second district, was the orator of the day. Mr. Byrnes, as usual, made a very interesting, entertaining, and instructive address, and was listened to with rapt attention. The Apollo Music club, of Bamberg, and an orchestra, composed of Dr. O. D. Faust, Prof. Paul Whittaker, Mr. Clarence Black and Miss Mary Molton, rendered delightful music during the day.

The exercises were held under the auspices of the Rivers Bridge Memorial association. The venerable president, Dr. N. F. Kirkland, presided. Dr. Kirkland has been president of the association for many years, taking the keenest interest in the memorial exercises. The secretary of the association, Mr. J. W. Jenny, was also present. It is largely due to their indefatigable work in the interest of the association that the annual meetings are so popular and successfully held.

After music by the orchestra and the music club, Dr. E. O. Watson made a short address. He discussed the meaning of memorial day in an interesting and instructive manner, and paid a beautiful tribute to the women of the South, especially the mothers, who suffered the severest test of loyalty, yet never faltered in their duty and their unswerving devotion to the cause of the South. Dr. Watson then introduced Congressman Byrnes, who made the annual memorial address.

Mr. Byrnes discussed at some length the sectional differences in congress, and the relation of these differences to some of the matters now pending or being discussed in congress. He said that very often he was impelled to retain his composure and remain silent in congress, because it was to the best interests of the South for Southern representatives to do so; but that he was now in the South, among his own people, and he proposed to tell them plainly the status of some of the things they were interested in.

Mr. Byrnes then went into detail in regard to the pensioning of Confederate soldiers by the United States government, the refunding of the cotton tax, and the payment for cotton confiscated during the civil war. These are matters now either before congress or being widely discussed and advocated. The speaker scored the North for the ever-increasing pension rolls, despite the fact that the old soldiers are fast departing. He frankly told his audience that he thought it utterly useless to ever hope for federal pensions for Confederate veterans, and he deprecated the efforts of Congressman Tillman, of Arkansas, and others in this direction, as it could only serve to arouse in the old Southern veterans a hope which would eventually fail. The Northern Democrats and Republicans, alike, are opposed to the federal government giving pensions to Southern veterans. These efforts place the Confederate veterans in a wrong light, and give the Northern people an excuse to believe that the South was wrong and that the South, by asking help of the Yankees for the old veterans, acknowledges that they were wrong. And, further than this, the bill could never hope for passage, because sentiment in congress is largely against it; that is, the majority of the Northern and Western representatives are opposed to the measure, and it must, therefore, fail.

Congressman Byrnes told of his experiences while acting chairman of the war claims committee of the national house. He had endeavored to have the committee allow belated claims for cotton confiscated during the war go before the court of claims; that, he said, was voted down by the committee, on account of the sectional feeling prevailing. The Northern Democrats, as well as the Northern Republicans, stood against him.

With reference to the refund of the cotton tax, Mr. Byrnes stated that after investigating the matter, he was fully convinced that the farmers of the South would not materially benefit from this matter.

Mr. Byrnes told, in a very interesting manner, the story of the battle at Rivers Bridge fifty-odd years ago, when a small detachment of brave Confederates held a large force of federals at bay.

This narrative was especially instructive to the young folks present and to those not acquainted with the account of this engagement. Mr. Byrnes made a fine address, and was frequently interrupted by loud applause.

One of the most touching incidents of the exercises occurred at the conclusion of Congressman Byrnes's address. Dr. Watson arose and asked if there were present in the audience

CARLISLE LOSES TO PORTER.

Two Games Go to Charlestonians Last Week.

Coach Foster's Porter cadets secured revenge for their recent defeat in Charleston by the Carlisle school when Friday, on the local diamond, they won from Carlisle in a hard hitting game, 2 to 1.

The Charleston cadets were off in their fielding, but they always tightened up in the pinches along with Skinner, their pitcher. Eight errors were made by the visitors, but they scattered them so well that they did little damage.

Porter's first run came in the second inning when Short Stop Allen hit a home run. The winning run was scored in the eighth inning.

The Charleston team hit the ball hard, securing eight hits for a total of sixteen bases. Besides a home run, Allen got a double.

For the locals F. Moore, with three out of four, and Parnelle, with a double, featured.

Score by innings:
P. M. A. . . . 010 000 010—2 3 8
C. S. . . . 000 001 000—1 8 2
Batteries: Skinner and Heath; Parnelle and Lenoir.

Saturday afternoon the Charleston cadets easily won the deciding game of the series with Carlisle school, the final score being 7 to 1.

While there were a number of errors by the two teams the game was interesting throughout, as both teams had to change pitchers and there was a lot of hitting.

Porter found Ehrbridge, who started for Carlisle, easy pickings, and was yanked out and Parnelle sent in to finish the game. Parnelle was also easy for the Charleston batters. Ernest, who began the game for Porter, was hit hard in the seventh and had to be relieved, Coach Foster sending in Skinner to finish the game.

Lenoir, Farnum and Elkins, for the locals, secured three hits each. Heath featured for the cadets at the bat and in the field. Skinner cut off three runs at the plate by timely pegs to the catcher.

Three fast double plays were made by the visitors and two by the locals.

Score by innings:
P. M. A. . . . 320 000 011—7 10 5
C. S. . . . 001 010 200—4 13 6

Carlisle Defeated Bailey.

In a very exciting and well played game, Carlisle school defeated Bailey Military institute here Wednesday afternoon by a score of 6 to 4. With the score 3 to 1 in favor of the visitors in the seventh inning, Lenoir secured a three-base hit with the bases full, winning the game for the Carlisle boys. Following is the score by innings:

Bailey 102 000 010—4 9 1
Carlisle 001 000 50*—6 5 2
Hough and Edwards; Parnelle and Lenoir. Umpires, Rentz and Cooner. Time, 1:37.

Deny Knowledge of Whiskey.

Mr. Paul W. Sanders, president of the Charleston Crockery company, vigorously denies that he has any knowledge of the whiskey seized at Denmark recently, en route from Savannah to Charleston. He asked the News and Courier to quote him positively as saying that the whiskey in question was not ordered by his concern.

King-Herdon.

Cameron, May 8.—A lovely home wedding was that of Miss Lucile King and Mr. C. S. Herndon, who were married at the home of the bride's parents in Cameron Sunday, May 7. Quite a number of friends and relatives witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by the bride's pastor, Rev. G. B. Reed, Jr. After the ceremony a bounteous dinner was served.

Mr. Herndon is a promising young man of the Hunter's Chapel section of Bamberg county. The young couple left during the afternoon in automobile for their new home. This couple has the hearty congratulations and good wishes of scores of friends.

any Confederate veterans who participated in the engagement at Rivers Bridge. Four grey-haired veterans arose. Dr. Watson then asked if any of the women who nursed the wounded at that time were present, and three sweet faced, beloved women answered that they helped to care for the wounded at the battle referred to. Led by Dr. Watson, loud and continuous cheering went up for the four veterans and three ladies.

The usual picnic dinner was served on the grounds. After dinner, the music club gathered around the stand and sang old Southern melodies, which were greatly enjoyed by the audience.

The graves of the veterans of the Rivers Bridge battle were decorated with a great profusion of very beautiful flowers.

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Local Company Organized With Capital of \$100,000.

Messrs. H. M. Graham, C. F. Rizer, N. A. Hunt, S. W. Copeland and other prominent bankers are organizing at Bamberg a stock fire insurance company with a paid in capital of \$100,000. The home office of this company will be at Bamberg and it will do a general fire insurance business throughout the State of South Carolina and will be ready for business on or before July first.

On account of the withdrawal of practically all of the old line fire insurance companies the success of the new company is already assured. We are told that application for the agencies of this company are being filed from various portions of the State and Mr. Graham will during the month of June plant the agencies of this company in practically all of the towns of any importance throughout South Carolina.

The organization will be perfected within the next ten days and Mr. Graham will make a more comprehensive statement of the company and its plan of operation soon.

\$1.00 Cash Prize.

The Bamberg Herald will give a prize of one dollar to the person who finds the greatest number of typographical errors in the "Trade-at-Home" page of this issue. The following rules must be observed:

All answers must be in this office by next Monday night.

Tear out the "Trade at Home" page and mark the errors thereupon. Do not write your answers on a sheet of paper. Simply tear out the page and mark the errors plainly in ink.

A typographical error is a misspelled word, transposed or upturned letter, or any other error that would be made in handling type. Typographical errors have no connection with grammatical errors.

Only one answer may be submitted by one person.

Write your name plainly, with postoffice address, on the margin of the "Trade at Home" page, on which you have marked the errors.

No one in any way connected with this office will be allowed to participate in this contest.

It is not necessary that you should be a subscriber to The Herald to submit your answers.

Now this will afford you good practice in proof reading. Get busy, find the errors, mark them, and mail your reply to us so that it will reach us by Monday night. The winner will be announced in the next issue of The Herald. In case there are more than one with the highest number of errors marked, we will give each one a merchandise prize.

Denmark After Blind Tigers.

Denmark has gone out after the blind tiger industry in her midst with a vim. Within the past few days three negroes have been committed to the chain gang for thirty days each, after trial by Mayor White in the municipal court, and several others paid fines aggregating three hundred dollars. Six arrests were made, it is stated, and all of them were convicted, three paying fines of \$100 each, and three going to the county chain gang.

The town authorities recently instigated a campaign against the tigers. They hired a detective to chief up the cases against the tigers. Chief of Police W. J. Hutto, with the aid of the detective, soon got into their midst strong, with the above result.

It was during this campaign against the tigers that the chief, upon the advice of Governor Manning, confiscated the large shipment of whiskey en route from Savannah to Charleston. It will be recalled that the boxes were labeled "crockery," and contained nearly 1,500 pint bottles of "fire water."

It is quite evident that Denmark is not a healthy place for the blind tiger to ply his trade.

Crops Suffering From Drought.

Questioned regarding the condition of crops generally, the farmers of the county make rather pessimistic replies. The lack of rain is being felt in every part of the county, especially around Bamberg, as no rain, excepting one little shower that scarcely laid the dust, has fallen here in some six or seven weeks. Good showers have fallen within the past three weeks in other parts of the county, but the hot sun soon dried out the earth again.

The grain crop seems to be the greatest sufferer from the drought up to this time. Oats and wheat will be harvested now within the next week or two. No rain of any consequence has fallen since the heading season began, therefore the heads are very imperfect and faulty.

The farmers report that cotton is uninjured, and is doing fine where it came up before the drought. Corn is suffering but good rains at this time will doubtless bring it out all right. The weather man has promised general rains throughout the South for the latter part of this week.

Congressman Byrnes in the City.

Hon. James F. Byrnes, representative in congress from the second district, spent a while in the city Thursday going to and returning from Rivers Bridge, where he made the annual memorial address. Mr. Byrnes came from Washington, where congress is now in session, Wednesday night, spending the night in Aiken, and came to Bamberg Thursday morning. He returned to Washington Thursday night, leaving Bamberg on the 8:17 train.

Mr. Byrnes said that the prospect is the present session of congress will be a long one, and that he should be very busy attending to his duties in Washington the greater part of the summer; and he would, therefore, be unable to do much campaigning this year. He feels that it is his duty to remain at his post in Washington, especially as many matters of national and international importance are now before the administration. He said that he will leave the campaign this summer largely in the hands of his friends.

Mr. Byrnes said that he has the greatest confidence in the president, and, although it will be almost a miracle to accomplish, he believes that Mr. Wilson will steer the United States clear of war. Even if we are forced into the conflict, the people may rest assured that there was not the remotest possibility for it to be evaded.

Negro Surrenders to Sheriff.

Govan Rice came up to the court house one day last week and voluntarily surrendered himself up to Sheriff Ray. Rice was immediately committed to jail. It will be recalled that on March 9, Govan Rice killed Leon Watson at Denmark. He escaped at the time, and his whereabouts were unknown until he appeared at the court house to surrender to the authorities. Application for bail was made before the presiding judge at Aiken Tuesday.

Former Bamberg Boy to Marry.

Mrs. John Ancel Newsome gave a beautiful luncheon yesterday at 1 o'clock at her home, 1521 Post street, Riverside, when she announced the engagement of her sister, Miss Ruby Jane Branch, of Louisville, Ky., to Mr. William Haddon Johnson, of Aiken, S. C.

Miss Branch has been spending the past two months with her sister in this city and her many friends here wish her every future happiness. Miss Branch is a graduate of the College of Music, in Cincinnati, and also studied under Douglas Powell, in New York.

Mr. Johnson is the son of the late Senator William Johnson, of South Carolina, and is a graduate of the University of South Carolina. He is a member of the law firm of Gunter & Johnson in Aiken, and is a very popular young man in that city.—Florida Metropolis, Jacksonville, May 5.

Mr. Johnson is a former resident of Bamberg, and has many friends here.

Rain Promised This Week.

The following is the weather report sent out from Washington for this week:

"Temperatures above the seasonal average are indicated for the middle Atlantic, South Atlantic, and Gulf States is the weather bureau forecast for the week beginning May 7th.

"By the middle of the week local showers and thunderstorms are probable over the great central valleys and the plains States, and the latter part of the week in the middle Atlantic States and throughout the South.

"The weather will be generally fair the first half of the week throughout the Southern States."

Memorial Day Observed.

Yesterday being Confederate memorial day, a legal State holiday, the banks of the city remained closed throughout the day. The postoffice was closed for the afternoon.

No public memorial exercises were held this year by the F. M. Bamberg chapter, U. D. C., but the regular meeting of the chapter was held at four o'clock in the afternoon at the residence of Mrs. J. J. Smoak, and after the session, the members of the chapter were divided into committees who visited the three local cemeteries and decorated the graves of veterans with flowers.

Base Ball Friday.

The last school game of base ball to be played by the Carlisle school will be played Friday afternoon, at 4:30, between the Columbia high school and Carlisle at Rhoad park. This promises to be one of the best games of the season, and a large crowd is expected.—adv.

Carlisle played Norway high school, in an unscheduled game Monday, resulting in a tie, 11 to 11.

Escaped From Gang; Quickly Caught.

John Green, a negro, one day last week effected an escape from the county chain gang, which is situated near Ehrhardt. Green had evidently in some way previously cut his shackles loose, tying them together with strings, to await an opportune time to make a get-away. This opportunity soon came when he was some little distance away from the guard, whose attention just then was called by another convict. As he turned, Green made a dash for liberty, leaving his shackles behind, tearing them easily away. He eluded his pursuers, and waited until night, when he entered the stable of a farmer and stole out a horse. Green rode the animal for some distance and then entered another farm yard and was hitching the horse to a buggy. In some way the horse got loose from Green and he went into the lot to get another horse, when the yard dogs got after him, and he had to leave rather hurriedly. A little later he was recaptured at Hilda, and he is now safely back on the gang again. Green also broke into a commissary and had stolen a quantity of canned goods. He is now serving a sentence for breaking into a store in Bamberg, and has escaped from the gang once before.

Mr. C. Arthur Best Dead.

Mr. C. Arthur Best, a prominent attorney of Barnwell, and a former Bamberg county boy, died in Columbia yesterday morning, following an operation at a hospital there. None of the funeral arrangements were known here yesterday.

Mr. Best was born and grew to young manhood in this county, his parents being residents of the Buford's Bridge section. He attended the public schools of the county and afterward graduated from Carlisle school. After studying law, he went to Barnwell, where he began the practice of his profession. He became a law partner of Former Solicitor James E. Davis, and a few years ago this partnership was dissolved, and he has since then been associated with Mr. Emile Harley in law practice.

Mr. Best is survived by his wife, who was Miss Pate, of Barnwell, and two children, both boys, of a tender age. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. H. L. Kearse, of Buford's Bridge, and one brother, Mr. G. A. Best, of Ulmers.

The deceased had become one of the best known lawyers in the State. He was a hard student, which is attested by the fact that for the past several years his firm, Best & Harley, have been the attorneys for the Southern railway, the A. C. L., and the S. A. L., the Southern Express company, and the Western Union Telegraph company.

What They Think.

The Greenville Daily News recently undertook to ascertain the sentiment of the legislators with regard to the insurance matter. The following questions were asked:

1. Do you believe an extraordinary session to consider the question desirable?

2. If such an extraordinary session were convened, would you vote for a modification of any nature of the insurance acts passed by the general assembly of 1916?

3. What action, in your opinion, should be taken in regard to the present situation with reference to fire insurance in South Carolina?

The following answers were made by the two Bamberg representatives in the house, as printed in the News:

Bert D. Carter, representative: Does not favor extra session, but would vote for repeal or modification. "I am in doubt at present" as to what should be done.

J. Wesley Crum, Jr., representative: Favors extra session "provided the legislature has changed its sentiments and will repeal the act and go home. I believe there is sentiment sufficient for modification, but am not certain as to repeal. I would vote for repeal outright. We have no assurance that modification would remedy the situation, and I believe we should have assurance for voting."

Children's Day Exercises.

The King's Garden will be presented in a very impressive manner Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by the children of the Trinity Methodist church.

This day, being celebrated as mother's day, everyone is urged to pay a tribute to mother by attending some service during the day.

The Rosary, May 17th.—adv.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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